

RENTON CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

September 18, 2000
Monday, 7:30 p.m.

Council Chambers
Municipal Building

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jesse Tanner led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and called the meeting of the Renton City Council to order.

**ROLL CALL OF
COUNCILMEMBERS**

RANDY CORMAN, Council President; TONI NELSON; DAN CLAWSON; KATHY KEOLKER-WHEELER; DON PERSSON; KING PARKER; TIMOTHY SCHLITZER.

**CITY STAFF IN
ATTENDANCE**

JESSE TANNER, Mayor; ZANETTA FONTES, Assistant City Attorney; MARILYN PETERSEN, City Clerk; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Planning/Building/Public Works Administrator; SUE CARLSON, Economic Development Administrator; BETTY NOKES, Economic Development Director; JIM SHEPHERD, Community Services Administrator; MIKE WEBBY, Human Resources Administrator; VICTORIA RUNKLE, Finance & Information Services Administrator; PAUL KUSAKABE, Fiscal Services Director; JULIE BREWER, Community Relations Manager; ARLENE WORKMAN, Payroll Technician; DEBBIE SCOTT, Finance Analyst III; SYLVIA DOERSCHEL, Senior Finance Analyst; CYNDIE DRIGGERS, Community Program Coordinator; CHIEF GARRY ANDERSON, Police Department.

PRESS

Robert Teodosio, *Renton Reporter*

**APPROVAL OF
COUNCIL MINUTES**

MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY SCHLITZER, COUNCIL APPROVE THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 11, 2000, AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

PROCLAMATION
September 18 to 22 –
“National Payroll Week”

A proclamation by Mayor Tanner was read, declaring the week of September 18 through September 22, 2000, to be “National Payroll Week” in the City of Renton, in recognition of the fact that payroll professionals support the American system by paying wages, reporting worker earnings and withholding federal employment taxes. MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE PROCLAMATION AS READ. CARRIED.

The proclamation was accepted by Payroll Technician Arlene Workman, Finance Analyst III Debbie Scott, and Senior Finance Analyst Sylvia Doerschel.

**SPECIAL
PRESENTATIONS**
Police: Volunteer Recognition

Chief of Police Garry Anderson and Community Program Coordinator Cyndie Driggers presented the 2000 Volunteer of the 2nd Quarter Award to Police Department volunteer Marcia Hess. Chief Anderson commended Ms. Hess for her 1029 hours of dedicated service and described her many contributions to the Police Department.

EDNSP: National Council for
Urban Economic Development
(CUED) Gold Award

Economic Development Director Betty Nokes reported that in 1998, the City of Renton in conjunction with community stakeholders, lodged a community marketing campaign. She explained that the goal of the campaign was to collectively market Renton which has been done through the use of the brand “Renton Ahead of the Curve.” Ms. Nokes pointed out that over the past two years, the focus of the campaign has expanded from targeting the local market which consists of local business owners and residents to the greater northwest market place.

Ms. Nokes announced that the Council for Urban Economic Development (CUED) has selected the City of Renton's "Renton Ahead of the Curve" marketing campaign as the winner of its 2000 Economic Development Promotional Gold Award. She explained that CUED is an economic development membership association that assists communities in building economies that attract and retain jobs. The gold award is bestowed upon those organizations that achieve successful results from an overall campaign which includes economic development advertising, marketing and public relations.

Continuing, Ms. Nokes explained that the success of the campaign stems from the corroboration of the community stakeholders who are: Dennis Law and Hugh Crozier from the Renton Chamber of Commerce; Councilman King Parker and Community Relations Manager Julie Brewer from the City of Renton; Dr. Don Bressler and Randy Carmical from Renton Technical College; Dr. Dolores Gibbons and Peter Daniels from the Renton School District; Rich Meinig and Tim Salley from the Renton hotel industry; and Terry Pile and Cindy Tangen from Valley Medical Center. She also acknowledged the contributions of the City's consultants, Michael Hamilton and Ken Saunderson, from Hamilton/Saunderson Marketing Partnership.

Economic Development Administrator Sue Carlson praised Betty Nokes for her efforts in facilitating the marketing campaign.

EDNSP: City-County
Communications & Marketing
Assn (3CMA) Savvy Award

Community Relations Manager Julie Brewer announced that the City-County Communications and Marketing Association (3CMA) has awarded the City of Renton, and the rest of the marketing campaign stakeholders, with a first place Savvy Award for the 1999-2000 Renton Community Calendar. She said that each year, 3CMA recognizes local governments for innovations in communicating and marketing government issues to citizens. Noted by 3CMA, the community calendar's colorful pictures were spectacular, the design was exceptional, and the comprehensive event listings were easy to follow. Explaining that the calendar is a useful product for local business owners and residents, Ms. Brewer reported that a 2001 edition of the community calendar will be produced as part of Renton's Centennial Celebration.

PUBLIC HEARING

Planning: Commercial Office
Residential 2 Zone Moratorium

This being the date set and proper notices having been posted and published in accordance with local and State laws, Mayor Tanner opened the public hearing to consider declaring a moratorium on the permitting of development and acceptance of development applications in the Center Office Residential 2 (COR-2) zone.

Economic Development Director Sue Carlson announced that she had been contacted by the Cugini family (COR-2 zone parcel owner) and Paul Allen's representatives requesting that the City continue the public hearing until next Monday, September 25th. Ms. Carlson reported that negotiations regarding the property transaction are underway and both parties hope to finalize an agreement before next Monday.

Public comment was invited.

Inez Petersen, 3306 Lake Washington Blvd. N. #2, Renton, 98055, said she was glad to hear that the impasse was about to be resolved and she will attend next week's meeting.

Larry Reymann, 1313 N 38th St., Renton, 98056, advised that the increase of

development in Kennydale is changing the nature of the neighborhood. He pointed out that the abundance of development occurring around Lake

Washington needs to be balanced with the creation of more parks, more open space, and an infrastructure that will accommodate the increase in density.

MOVED BY PARKER, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CONTINUE THE PUBLIC HEARING UNTIL 9/25/00. CARRIED.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

City Clerk Marilyn Petersen reviewed a written administrative report summarizing the City's recent progress towards goals and work programs adopted as part of its business plan for 2000 and beyond. Items noted included:

- * Planning/Building/Public Works Department reported that an application was received for Liberty Ridge, a subdivision that involves 436 lots for single-family residences at the site of the old gravel pit north of the intersection of NE 3rd St. and Edmonds Ave. NE.
- * Nineteen King County cities, including Renton, will proclaim Saturday, September 30th, to be "Mayors' Day of Concern for the Hungry Day." This effort will assist both the Emergency Feeding Program and participating food banks to gather an adequate food supply for the needy in King County during the months leading up to the holiday food drives.

CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the consent agenda are adopted by one motion which follows the listing.

Appointment: Park Board

Mayor Tanner appointed Troy Wigestrang, 2101 Queen Ave. NE, Renton, 98056, to the Park Board to fill an unexpired four-year term, expiring 6/01/04. Refer to the Community Services Committee.

Human Services: 2000 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG)

Human Services Division recommended setting a public hearing on October 2, 2000, to consider the 2000 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant. Council concur.

EDNSP: Port Quendall SEPA SEIS Planned Action, Huckell/Weinman, CAG-00-067

Economic Development, Neighborhoods and Strategic Planning Department requested approval of an addendum to a contract (CAG-00-067) with Huckell/Weinman Associates, Inc. for Phase III of the SEPA Planned Action Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for the Port Quendall project. The costs will be reimbursed 100% by the developers. Council concur.

Police: Humane Society for Seattle/King County, New Fees & Business Hours

Police Department requested approval of an amended contract with The Humane Society for Seattle/King County to reflect new business hours and fees. Council concur.

Added Item 9.e.

Public Works: King Conservation District Assessment

Planning/Building/Public Works Department requested authorization for the Mayor to sign a letter to the King County Council supporting the reauthorization of the King Conservation District assessment at the current rate of \$5.00 per parcel and supporting the current allocation of these funds. Council concur.

Mayor Tanner said that the King Conservation District assessment which was originally set for three years, is close to expiring. Explaining that the money is used to fund Endangered Species Act projects, he reported that the District is proposing the reauthorization of the assessment at the current rate of \$5.00 per parcel for a period of ten years

MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS AMENDED TO INCLUDE ITEM 9.e. CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS**Community Services****Committee**

Parks: Maplewood Golf Course
Driving Range Contracts,
CAG-00-121 & CAG-00-122

Community Services Committee Chair Nelson presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to allocate an additional \$50,000 from the golf course 424 account to cover costs associated with the driving range renovation project and to award the Grading and Drainage contract to Ridgetop, Inc. in the amount of \$106,971.00 and the Synthetic Turf Installation contract to American Turf, Inc. in the amount of \$106,631.57.

The additional funding was needed since the bids submitted did not meet the criterion which requires the low bid to be below the engineer's estimate. The engineer's estimate for the Grading and Drainage contract was \$102,000 and \$82,000 for the Synthetic Turf Installation contract.

The Committee further recommended that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the contracts. **MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.**

Appointment: Board of
Adjustment

Community Services Committee Chair Nelson presented a report recommending that the City Council authorize a waiver of the specific professional qualifications for Position #5 of the Board of Adjustment, pursuant to Ordinance No. 4849, in order to consider the Mayor's recommended appointment of Wayne Jones to Position #5 of the Board.

Upon waiver authorization by a majority vote of the City Council, the Committee recommended concurrence in the Mayor's appointment of Wayne Jones to Position #5, an unexpired term on the Board of Adjustment. The unexpired term expires September 6, 2001. **MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.**

Executive: Centennial
Celebration Budget Request

Community Services Committee Chair Nelson presented a report regarding the 2001 Centennial Celebration budget request and event recommendations. Renton's rich history and strong spirit will be evident next year as the City celebrates its Centennial. The Centennial Task Force Advisory Committee has been meeting for several months to plan and organize events and activities for Renton's Centennial Celebration.

While the Renton City Council had previously approved a budget request for \$35,000 for the year 2000 to be applied to a Centennial calendar, the calendar has received business and community sponsorships that enable the \$35,000 to be used for other Centennial related activities.

The Community Services Committee recommended the City Council approve a budget request for an additional \$6,000 for the year 2000 to offset production costs of products, souvenirs, street banners, a "Century to Century" exhibit at the Renton Historical Museum and some funding for a "Centennial Pageant."

The Community Services Committee also recommended the City Council approve a request for \$106,000 in 2001 to provide funds for and approval of the Centennial Advisory Committee proposed activities, events, and materials that will showcase Renton over the past 100 years. **MOVED BY NELSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.**

Utilities Committee

Utility: Tamaron Pointe

Release of Easements (N 26th
St & Park Pl NE), RE-00-002

Utilities Committee Chair Clawson presented a report regarding the Partial Release of Easement for Tamaron Pointe Limited Partnership (RE-00-002). The Utilities Committee recommended concurrence with the recommendation of staff and the Board of Public Works that City Council partially release a certain City of Renton easement reserved via Street Vacation Ordinance No. 3447 and recorded under King County Recording Numbers 8010060646 and 8012120762.

The Committee also recommended concurrence with the recommendation of the Board of Public Works that City Council collect the requisite processing fee from the applicant. No public funds were spent in acquiring or maintaining the easement to be partially released. Therefore this is a Class "B" easement and requires no further compensation other than the processing fee.

Class B: All City of Renton easements for which no public funds have been expended in the acquisition, improvement or maintenance of same or easements originally dedicated or otherwise conveyed to the City by the present petitioner for the release of said easement for which no public expenditures have been made in the acquisition, improvement or maintenance thereof.

The Committee further recommended that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the Partial Release of Easement document and that the City Clerk record the document with King County. **MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.**

**Transportation (Aviation)
Committee**

Franchise: McLeodUSA

Telecommunications Services,
Fiber Optics System

Transportation (Aviation) Committee Chair Persson presented a report regarding the franchise document for McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc. McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc., a telecommunications provider and carrier, requested a franchise agreement with the City of Renton. Conduit and cable will be installed underground using conventional trenching, horizontal boring and directional drilling methods. This is a proposed ten-year franchise agreement between the City of Renton and McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc.

McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc. is a direct, wholly owned subsidiary of McLeodUSA, Inc., a publicly traded Iowa Corporation. McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc. is registered with the WUTC as a Competitive Telecommunications Company and is authorized to provide non-switched dedicated and private line high capacity fiber optic transmission services.

The Transportation Committee recommended concurrence in the staff recommendation to approve the McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc. franchise agreement. City Code encourages telecommunications services such as this to promote competition and provide advanced services on the widest possible basis to businesses, institutions and residences of the City.

The Committee further recommended that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the franchise agreement. **MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.** (See below for ordinance.)

**ORDINANCES AND
RESOLUTIONS**

Franchise: McLeodUSA

The following ordinance was presented for first reading and referred to the meeting of 9/25/00 for second and final reading:

An ordinance was read granting unto McLeodUSA Telecommunications

Telecommunications Services,
Fiber Optic System

Services, Inc., an Iowa Corporation, its successors and assigns, the right, privilege, authority and franchise to install fiber optics cable underground together with appurtenances thereto, upon, over, under, along, and across the streets, avenues and alleys of the City of Renton for the purpose of installing infrastructure to operate as a broadband digital communication provider and carrier utilizing switching and fiber optic facilities. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 9/25/00. CARRIED.

The following ordinances were presented for second and final reading and adoption:

Ordinance #4859

Planning: Construction Sign
Regulations, Housekeeping
Ordinance

An ordinance was read amending Section 4-4-100.B.6.d, Construction Signs, of Chapter 4, Property Development Standards, of Title IV (Development Regulations) of City Code by amending regulations concerning construction signs. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY CLAWSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

Ordinance #4860

Technical Services: Street
Vacation & Release of
Easement Procedures, City
Code Changes

An ordinance was read amending Sections 2-3-2.A and B. of Chapter 3, Board of Public Works, of Title II, Commissions and Boards; Sections 9-1-3.A and B., and 9-1-5.A.3 of Chapter 1, Release of Easements, and Sections 9-14-3.B, 9-14-5.C, and 9-14-10, of Chapter 14, Vacations, of Title IX, Public Ways and Property, of City Code by clarifying and streamlining the procedures for processing street vacations and release of easement petitions. MOVED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

Ordinance #4861

Transportation: Trench
Restoration Standards

An ordinance was read amending Section 9-10-11 of Chapter 10, Street Excavations, of Title IX, Public Ways and Property, of City Code by adopting trench restoration and street overlay requirements. MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY KEOLKER-WHEELER, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

Ordinance #4862

Development Services:
Telecommunications Ordinance

An ordinance was read amending Sections 5-19-1, 5-19-2, and 5-19-5 through 5-19-12, of Chapter 19, Telecommunications Licenses and Franchises, of Title V, Business, of City Code by complying with recent state legislation, simplifying the ordinance structure, and conforming ordinance language to existing franchise practice. MOVED BY CLAWSON, SECONDED BY SCHLITZER, COUNCIL ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS READ. ROLL CALL: ALL AYES. CARRIED.

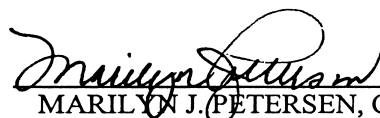
NEW BUSINESS

Parks: Highlands
Neighborhood Center

Councilman Corman reported that he attended the opening of the Highlands Neighborhood Center and commended Community Services Administrator Jim Shepherd and all City staff involved for doing such an outstanding job of rebuilding the center.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY SCHLITZER, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL
ADJOURN. CARRIED. Time: 8:15 p.m.



MARILYN J. PETERSEN, CMC, City Clerk

Recorder: Michele Neumann
September 18, 2000